

OPINION 2184 (Case 3373)***Ateles geoffroyi* (Mammalia, Primates): authorship attributed to Kuhl, 1820**

Abstract. The Commission has ruled that the common but incorrect attribution of the name of the spider monkey *Ateles geoffroyi* to Kuhl (1820) is validated.

Keywords. Nomenclature; taxonomy; *Ateles*; *Ateles geoffroyi*; Kuhl; Nicaragua; spider monkey.

Ruling

- (1) Under the plenary power it is hereby ruled that the specific name of *Ateles geoffroyi* is available from Kuhl (1820).
- (2) The name *geoffroyi* Kuhl, 1820, as published in the combination '*Ateles Geoffroyi*. mihi species inedita' and ruled in (1) above to be *Ateles geoffroyi*, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

History of Case 3373

An application to validate the common but incorrect attribution of the name *Ateles geoffroyi* to Kuhl (1820) was received from Colin Groves and Justin J.H. Hines (School of Archaeology & Anthropology, Australian National University, Canberra, A.C.T. 0200, Australia) and Paulina D. Jenkins (Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, London SW7 5BD, U.K.) on 20 December 2004. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 63: 127–129 (June 2006). The title, abstract and keywords of the case were published on the Commission's website. No comments on this case were received.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 2007 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 63: 128. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 2007 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes – 19: Alonso-Zarazaga, Bouchet, Brothers, Fautin, Halliday, Kerzhner, Kottelat, Lamas, Lim, Macpherson, Mahnert, Mawatari, Ng, Pape, Papp, Patterson, Rosenberg, Song and van Tol.

Negative votes – 8: Bogutskaya, Grygier, Krell, Kullander, Minelli, Pyle, Štys and Zhang.

Original reference

The following is the original reference to the name placed on an Official List by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

geoffroyi, *Ateles*, Kuhl, 1820, *Beiträge zur Zoologie und vergleichenden Anatomie*, p. 26.